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**Knowing and Understanding:** Students will know that the Trinity teaches what it means to be a person.

**Inquiry and Communication:** Students will recognise that genuine understanding only happens through relationship.

**Discernment and Making Connections:** Students will wonder at the mystery of God as a community of loving persons.

**Enduring Understandings**
- God loves.
- People have been created in God’s image to love and be loved.
- People are created to live in relationship.
- Jesus shows us how to be truly human.
- Human beings are connected with all of God’s creation.
- God’s creative love is experienced in the world.

**Essential Questions**
- Is it always true that God loves us?
- How are we connected to all of God’s creation?
- What does God’s creative love mean?

**God**

**Jesus Christ**

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**Enduring Understandings**
- God calls followers of Jesus to love others in word and action.
- Jesus taught his followers to work in relationship with God through prayer.
- The Church, animated by the Spirit, strives to live out Jesus’ teaching.

**Essential Questions**
- In what ways does God call followers of Jesus to love others in word and action?
- What does Jesus teach us about prayer?
- How is the Church “animated” by the Spirit?

**Enduring Understandings**
- In the same way, the Liturgy is above all what God does to draw us deeper into God and out towards one another.
- The Liturgy is full of symbols that help us to explore the deeper meaning of our lives.
- God is mystery and we are created in the image and likeness of God.
- Mystery is not a puzzle to be solved but an invitation to wonder and to grow in wisdom and understanding.

**Essential Questions**
- What symbols and signs draw us closer to God in the Liturgy?
- How does being close to God turn us out towards one another?
- How does wonder and awe about the mystery of God help us grow in understanding and wisdom?
**Sacraments**

*Year Level Focus*

The Sacraments are celebrations of the presence of God in the lives of Christians. Through the Sacraments, Christians are born into and nourished in the life of Christ.

**Knowing and Understanding:** Students will begin to understand that Sacraments are a tangible, active and life-giving way of deepening our relationship with Christ.

**Inquiry and Communication:** Students will investigate how the Sacraments celebrate the action of the Spirit in, and nourish the lives of, those who respond.

**Discernment and Making Connections:** Through the Sacraments God draws us ever more deeply into celebrating God’s joy.

**Enduring Understandings**
- Jesus is the loving and healing presence in God.
- As Church, we receive the gift of God’s love in relationship.
- Sacraments are an invitation to enter more fully, actively and consciously into life.
- God enables us to change through the Sacraments to be God’s just and compassionate presence in the world.

**Essential Questions**
- How do the Sacraments invite us to enter fully into life?
- How are we taught about God’s love in the community of the Church?
- Why and how do the Sacraments challenge us to change?

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**Christian Prayer**

*Year Level Focus*

The Liturgy of the Church expresses our loving relationship with God and helps Christians to live like Jesus.

**Knowing and Understanding:** Students will begin to understand that Liturgy is God’s work bringing everything more fully alive.

**Inquiry and Communication:** Students will explore the relationship between Sacrament, Liturgy and ritual.

**Discernment and Making Connections:** Prayer is our way of opening to God’s love working in and through us.

**Enduring Understandings**
- Prayer is about listening for God’s presence in terms of space, matter and time.
- The Scriptures reflect the importance of prayer in the lives of God’s people.
- God’s presence in history is celebrated when people pray together.
- Meditation allows us to focus on God and the mystery of God’s love given to us in all creation.
- Prayer engages the whole person, body, mind and heart.

**Essential Questions**
- How do I listen to God?
- What do the scriptures teach me about how to pray?
- What can meditation teach us about the mystery of God’s love?
- How do I pray with my body?

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**Christian Life**

*Year Level Focus*

Christians make choices that are informed by the loving example of Jesus.

**Knowing and Understanding:** Students will begin to recognise that making good and wise choices lead to good consequences.

**Inquiry and Communication:** Students will explore how people make choices that result in a more just and compassionate world.

**Discernment and Making Connections:** Engaging with all creation enables us to deepen our encounter with God.

**Enduring Understandings**
- Jesus was sent to be God’s love to all people. This enables us to reach out to others in compassion and love.
- Acting with social responsibility is a sign of the Reign of God.
- The ability to do what is right comes from our relationship with God.
- Grief shows us what and how much we love.

**Essential Questions**
- How is acting with compassion a sign of God in the world?
- What does sadness (loss) teach us?
- Why should we act with compassion towards others?

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**Religion & Society**

*Year Level Focus*

Christianity is essentially linked to Judaism through history and Tradition.

**Knowing and Understanding:** Students learn about Jewish society and the times of Jesus.

**Inquiry and Communication:** Students reflect on how Jesus challenged the society he lived in and why his values were counter cultural.

**Discernment and Making Connections:** Students explore what Jesus taught us about the Father and the nature of God’s love for us.

**Enduring Understandings**
- Jesus showed people how to live in a loving relationship with God.
- Jesus lived in Israel within the Jewish society.
- His teachings challenged the society in which he lived.

**Essential Questions**
- Who was Jesus and where did he belong?
- What was significant about Jesus and how did he challenge his friends and family?
- Why did Jesus want to show people how to live?
Year Three and Year Four